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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop **AMENDMENT**
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action of July 17, 2006.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending in the application and are subject to an election requirement.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute claims 1-3, 6, 11-13, 16, 17, 21 and 22 which are all directed to the structure of Species II represented by FIGS. 4-5c. Further, it is believed that at least claims 1, 12, and 21 are generic to each of the identified Species.

An action on the merits is awaited.